

SYNCHRONOUS INTERFACE TO ASYNCHRONOUS PROCESSES

ABSTRACT

Methods and apparatus, including computer program products, implementing and
5 using techniques for selectively accessing one or more web services from a client machine,
the one or more web services and the client machine being accessible over a network. A
request for information is received from a client machine with a conversion engine. The
request is received over a synchronous interface. The request is processed in the conversion
engine. The processed request is transmitted over an asynchronous interface from the
10 conversion engine to at least one web service. Methods and apparatus, including computer
program products, for converting a web service description language file for a synchronous
web service into a web service description language file for an asynchronous client machine
are also described.